

Senate Resolution 574

By: Senator Jackson of the 2nd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., has dedicated an amazing 42 years to molding  
3 young minds and challenging students through his work in the field of music education; and

4 WHEREAS, born in Savannah, Georgia, Mr. Hutchins was educated in the  
5 Savannah-Chatham County Public School System, graduating from A.E. Beach High School  
6 in 1959, and he went on to earn degrees from Savannah State College and Vandercook  
7 College of Music; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins has been instrumental in the education of this nation's youth,  
9 teaching and directing bands for over four decades at Gordon High School in Dillon, South  
10 Carolina; Liberty County High School in McIntosh, Georgia; and Beach High School,  
11 Savannah State University, the United House of Prayer Marching Band, Port Wentworth  
12 Elementary School, and Garrison Elementary School in Savannah, Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, an active member of community and music appreciation organizations, Mr.  
14 Hutchins belongs to the Music Educators National Conference, the Georgia Music Educators  
15 Association, the Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club Alumni and Friends Association, the  
16 Savannah Basketball and Coastal Football Officials Association, and Alpha Phi Alpha  
17 Fraternity; and

18 WHEREAS, a devoted man of faith, Mr. Hutchins has attended Bethel AME Church for 50  
19 years, where he serves with the Sons of Allen, the Senior Choir, and the Trustee Board; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital  
21 role that he has played in the teaching profession and his deep personal commitment to music  
22 and the education of the students of Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly  
24 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments  
25 of this outstanding individual.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
27 heartily and gratefully commend Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., for his years of sacrifice,  
28 foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and for the  
29 positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young people in this  
30 state.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.